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REQUEST FOR ONE ADDITIONAL MONTH OF EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant's attorney requests that the date for responding to the Office Action dated February 22, 2006 be extended two (2) months to and including July 22, 2006.

This application qualifies for the lower tier fee. A one-month extension of time was requested on June 22, 2006 and the fee of \$60.00 was paid. The balance due for a two (2) month extension time at the small entity rate (\$225 - 60 = \$165) should be charged to the American Express Account No. shown on the enclosed form. The Patent and Trademark office is authorized to charge any deficiency or apply any overpayment credit to Deposit Account No. 23-3030.

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